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Timely Tidbits

Berlinn, Langley Win Election

The top two vote-getters in the School Board election held Monday, June 14, were Kenneth Berlinn, who received 533 votes, and Sandra Langley, who received 530. The third contender for one of the two available Board seats, Pauline Calhoun, got 414 votes.

Berlinn will fill the seat vacated by Daniel Bales, who did not seek reelection.

Country Concert in the Park

The Romulus Arts Council and the Romulus Historical Society invite everyone to bring their lawn chairs and blankets out to the Romulus Historic Park on Sunday, June 27, at 3 p.m., for a free concert of country music. Performing for the crowd will be Joe Prater and the Huron Valley Express, a long-time favorite in the Metro area.

Head Start/MDE Graduation

The Romulus Head Start/MDE staff and parents wish to extend the 1993 graduating class a heartfelt congratulations and best wishes on their promotion to kindergarten. It is the hope and goal of Head Start/MDE that these 98 students will become the graduating class of 2006.

A cap-and-gown graduation ceremony was held at the Romulus High School auditorium on June 9 at 4 p.m.

Romulus Head Start is now accepting applications for its 1993–1994 school year. For more information, please call 728-7815.

City Earns GFOA Certificate

A Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to the City of Romulus by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR).

An Award of Financial Reporting Achievement has also been given to Donavon McGuire, director of finance, as the individual designated as primarily responsible for preparing the City's award-winning CAFR.

RHS Students Say "Thanks" to Local Sponsors

The staff and students of Romulus High School would like to thank local sponsors for their overwhelming support of the School's "Student of the Month" program.

The sponsors' participation has enhanced the program by supporting a positive learning environment, reinforcing high expectations in students, and promoting a positive school/community/business relationship, according to Daniel Hurst, assistant principal at the High School. Hurst says that, thanks to these sponsors, 227 of the 355 students recognized as "Students of the Month" during the 1992–1993 school year were the recipients of \$50 United States savings bonds. Combining this year's totals with those of previous years, the program has awarded just short of \$60,000 in bonds.

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RJHS Tour Band To Perform at Chamber's Benefit Circus



Yet another attraction at the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce-sponsored Franzen Brothers Circus, to be held Wednesday, July 7, will be a special performance by the Romulus Junior High School Tour Band. Director Richard Kruse will lead his band – which maintained a first-division status for 13 years in a row at

State band festivals – in a performance of pop favorites at 6 p.m. (one hour before the Circus' second show).

The Chamber would like to remind everyone that it benefits most from advance ticket sales, and urges those who plan to attend to buy their tickets early. See the advertisement on page 3 for more details. □

Library's Summer Reading Programs

Registrations are now being taken for the Romulus Public Library's various free summer reading programs for youth.

Computer Pix for Teens

Teens entering grades seven through 12 can complete a short reading-interest form and receive a list of books tailored to their reading tastes through the Library's Computer Pix program. For more information, call 942-7589.

Make a Splash! Read!

Oceans of fun are planned for children participating in the Make a Splash! Read! program this summer. The program will be kicked off by Maureen Schiffman on Tuesday, June 22, when she takes children on a journey to the deep blue sea in a musical adventure that teaches about life in and around the ocean. Then, special Wednesday afternoon programs will continue through August 4 to encourage children to read.

The Library's summer hours are: Monday through Thursday from 12 to 8 p.m.; Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Friday from 12 to 5 p.m. The Library is closed Saturday and Sunday. □

The Lighter Slice

Flickering Candles



By Tom Shamanski

Despite heroic efforts to resist change and remain joyfully mired somewhere around 1962, I'm slowly being sucked into the world according to IBM, EDS, and HBO. Actually, in spite of continually hearing, "Why don't you get with it, man?" I must confess that I'm somewhat proud of my "stop the world, I want to get off" attitude.

Oddly enough, it's my love of writing that has booted my rear toward a partial surrender into the fold of the "state-of-the-art" people.

When I first began writing, I punched an old Remington typewriter, my little area dimly lit by flickering candles. Although it suited me fine, I must admit that doing a piece gobbled up a good deal of time.

Then, about two years ago, my sister, Judy The Boss, bought herself a word processor.

"You write, don't you?" she asked one day. "Why don't you use the word processor? Maybe you'll get better and you'll show us one of your articles."

Of course, I avoided the ominous thing, fearing a nasty computer-type virus, at the least, if I even touched it. Observing this behavior, Judy perceived

it to be of a strange and eccentric nature. Soon, for reasons known only to other sisters, she dedicated her life to animal rights, environmentally friendly plastic-surgery, and getting me to use her new contraption.

Suddenly, I began hearing things like: "Why don't you use the word processor instead of practicing 'the twist'?" ... and "It's not going to bite, or anything, and it'll probably give you enough time to double your naps" ... and, with the animal-rights thing, "If you ever buy another pair of alligator boots, you'll be a cold and stiff cowboy!"

When hearing this stuff, I'd either nod and smile or pretend not to hear it at all. Or, occasionally, I'd kick her in the shins and race out of the house ... screaming.

This lasted several weeks, until The Boss began developing some creative facial twitches and some really neat, colorful skin rashes. Finally one day, to alleviate her agony of suffering, she bolted outside, grabbed up a truly monstrous tree, and ran back into the house ... screaming.

"Use that word processor now or I'll break your head," she yelled. Somehow, I knew she meant business, so, coming out from behind the wet-bar, I gingerly sat down at the word processor and began typing my Last Will and Testament. Luckily, it wasn't necessary, as Judy merely let out a triumphant "Yes! Finally!" Then, grinning, she tossed the tree aside and left to go to her country-music dance-lesson.

The word processor? It's rather painful to admit, but I like it — a lot. When using it, I feel like supermodel Kathy Ireland at a photographers' convention. ... It's truly a Kodak moment.

Since all this, I use the word processor all the time. Truly, at this point, I can't imagine life, itself, without the word processor for writing — or without MTV for relaxing. □

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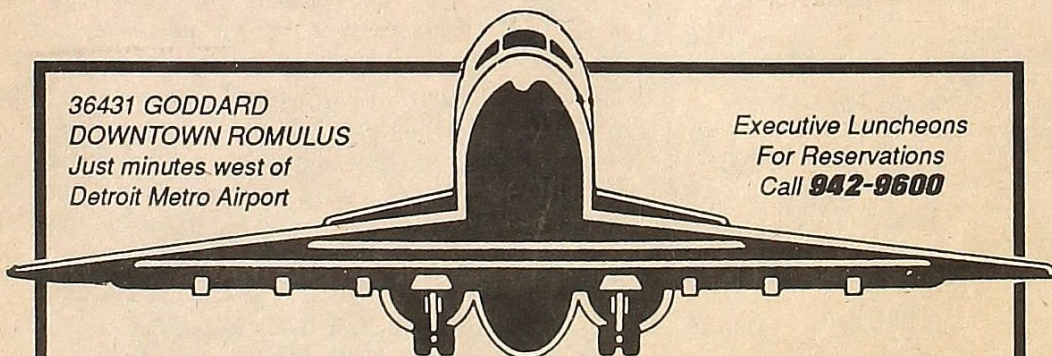
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Amanda Hislop, an 11-year-old Romulus resident, was recently accepted as a contestant for Miss Pre-teen by East Coast Pageants, Inc. The pageant will take place on Sunday, September 26, 1993, at the Scottish Rite Auditorium in Detroit.

Amanda says that she entered the Miss Pre-teen Pageant to gain confidence in herself, to meet new friends, and to have lots of fun.

The Cory Elementary student is involved in Student Council, Band, and Junior Girl Scouts, and is a recent graduate from the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program.

Amanda, who loves animals – especially cats and horses – would like to be a veterinarian when she grows up.

Her interests include traveling, camping, reading, bowling, rollerskating, and basketball.

Amanda is looking for prospective sponsors to cover her pageant fee, and would appreciate any support offered in this regard.

Besides the obvious personal satisfaction that sponsors gain from helping a young teen in their community – one who has become involved in a *positive* learning experience that may have a great influence on her development – there are other benefits to being a contestant sponsor, as well.



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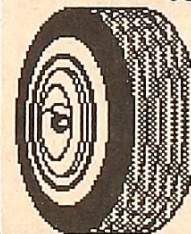
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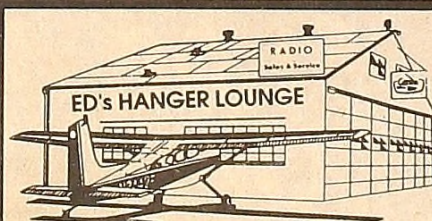


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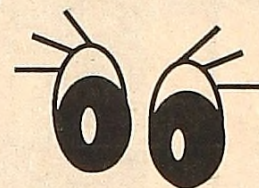
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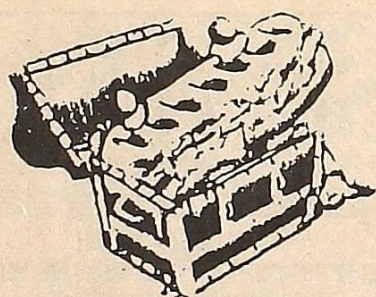
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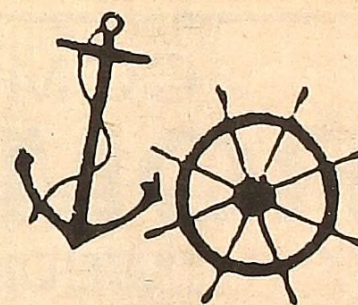
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Romulus Profile: Simon Binder

By Tom Shamanski

One morning, approximately three years ago, Simon E. Binder went to downtown Romulus' Kozy Korner Cafe . . . and his life hasn't been the same since.

While waiting for his breakfast on that sunny morning, Binder — a retired Romulus High School art teacher — noticed that a large, mounted fish had been hung on one of the restaurant's walls. In a recent interview, he described what followed.

Said Binder, "I told one of the ladies (at that time, the Kozy Korner was co-owned by Gloria Needham and Mary Kosmalski) that, if they were going for a more 'rustic' look, I had some paintings and drawings at home that might help. She told me, 'Sure, bring them in.'"

Binder, now 77, went on to say that, since featuring his work at the Kozy Korner, he has sold "10 or 12" of his pieces, with the top price being \$100.

Working mostly in pencil and oil, the native Pennsylvanian generally portrays landscapes and nature tableaux; of late, however, he seems to be increasingly drawn to pencil illustrations of old steam locomotives. In fact, two of the three pieces currently on display at the Kozy Korner are studies of locomotives.

"I've been interested in steam rail-roading all my life," said Binder. "Of the two railroad drawings now at the restaurant, the one with two locomotives in it (the other depicts only one) has a very interesting history.

"Back then," he continued, "two trains came daily out of Chicago and headed into Detroit. One belonged to the Pennsylvania Railroad, the other to New York Central. The trains left Chicago at the same time every day — and, as the tracks were more or less parallel, they raced one another to Detroit. In those days, it was an important event of the day."

Binder then noted that the model for his 2'x3' "dueling trains" pencil illustration was a printed postcard which featured a drawing created by Nationally famous railroad illustrator, Howard Fogg.

"I wanted to do something dramatic," said Binder, "and, having seen the racing locomotives a couple of times in Ypsilanti, I thought that this might be what I was looking for. It's a picture I've wanted to do for a long time because it was such a spectacular sight back then."

Framed, 2'x3' limited-edition lithographs of Binder's speedy Detroit-bound trains will be on sale at the Kozy Korner Cafe within the next two weeks. For more information on this offering, or on any other of Binder's works, call him at 941-9468.

In addition to being a splendidly talented artist, Binder is also an accomplished wood-whittler.

As he showed me a softwood replica of a dove and a hardwood likeness of a

grazing horse, Binder noted, "To whittle a piece the size of these (approximately eight inches in length), you need a good-sized chunk of wood, since a lot of it is carved away."

He then added that, these days, the supply of wood is becoming scarce. Binder attributes this to the fact that industry is consuming wood at a faster rate than ever before.

In one room of his home, a large, whittled rosary — comprised of a cross, approximately 18 inches high, and 60 two-inch-diameter beads — is draped gracefully along one wall. Binder explained that the wood used for the rosary came from a nearby cherry tree.

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In May 1941, Binder was drafted by the United States Army. The draft was initiated, he explained, so that the United States would have an increased number of servicemen if the Country was drawn into World War II.

"After I was drafted," said Binder, "I was among the first draftees to be assigned to the Army Air Corp. I was mostly on what they termed 'general duty,' but it was what we called 'slave labor'!

"After Pearl Harbor," he added, "guys were being drafted so fast that a lot of them were actually issued 1918 uniforms. Then, after getting into the war, all orders pertaining to discharge read: 'Will serve at the convenience of the government.'"

Binder was honorably discharged from the service in 1945.

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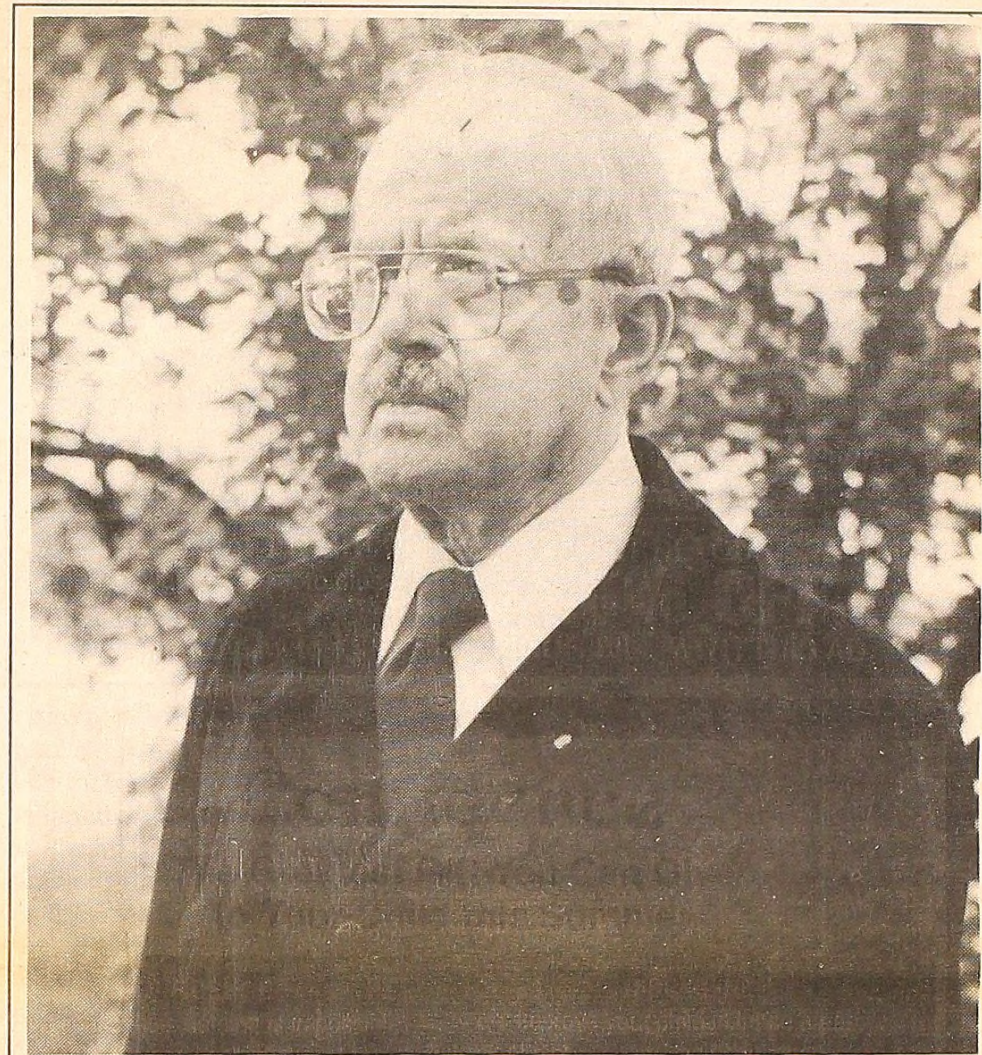
In 1953, Binder graduated from Ypsilanti's Eastern Michigan University — then called Eastern Normal — with a bachelor's degree in art and a teaching certificate.

"Actually," grinned Binder, "I really didn't want to be a teacher; I wanted to be a commercial artist or a tool-and-die maker. But, as I was going to school under the GI Bill, a VA counselor suggested that I become a teacher . . . so I did!

"I'm glad that I did, though," he continued, "since teaching gave me an opportunity to give young people a start that I never had. When I'd get down-in-the-dumps about teaching, I'd always think about that, and it would pull me out of my bad mood."

Immediately after graduation, Binder began teaching in Romulus — and, ultimately, spent his entire 24-year teaching career in the Romulus Community Schools. Initially, he was an art consultant in Romulus' elementary system. As such, Binder traveled to each school and consulted with teachers as to how they might best instruct the youngsters in art.

"It really didn't work out very well," said Binder. "I think that the teachers would have rather had me teach so that they could get a break. Finally, I asked the superintendent if I could do just that



— go from school to school and teach art. He quickly approved my request."

Later, after a two-year stint of teaching fourth grade, Binder applied for, and landed, an art-teacher opening at Romulus High School. Settling in comfortably, Binder remained there until he closed out his teaching career in 1977.

When asked to relate various highlights of his teaching days, the artist replied, "I had highlights every day. I worked with some really good students, and a lot of them went on to work in the art field. Several of them went into the field — as they later told me — because of their instruction in art, and because of a graphic-arts program that the superintendent had asked me to set up. Now, though, I've lost track of those students."

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A single man, Binder — who has resided in Romulus for 38 years — is the father of two adult sons. Michael, the oldest at 50, is a dispatcher for Federal Express out of that company's facility in Memphis, Tennessee. Forty-eight-year-old Norman drives truck for Romulus' Tec-Mar Company. Having never married, he presently resides with his father.

With great and justifiable pride, Binder noted that both of his sons served in Vietnam.

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As we wrapped up the interview, Binder mentioned that he's loved art for as long as he can recall, adding, "I love the simple enjoyment of drawing and painting. Also, there have been times in

my life that I could draw things that I couldn't express in words."

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A man of slight build, Binder has light-brown hair and a like-colored moustache. His wire-rimmed glasses in no way obscure the bright, sparkling eyes behind them, and, throughout the interview, I had the feeling that his smallish mouth was ready to explode into a huge grin at any moment.

Binder's home, near downtown Romulus, has a pleasant, countrified air; the rustic structure would not be out of place in the northern woods of the Upper Peninsula or Canada. And, after spending a goodly amount of time with Binder, I'm certain that he's content with where he lives. In fact, as far as I could discern, he would likely be happy anywhere; he's a man who seems to be blessed with both peace and contentment of soul.

But, contrasting this apparent peacefulness was Binder's 1993 dark-blue Ford Probe GT, which sat majestically on his driveway.

"Will you look at that?" he asked as I was preparing to leave. "I just washed her this morning, and already she's covered with pollen!"

* * *

As I left his home, I kept thinking that Simon Binder seems to be a man who can accept whatever life throws his way — and, further, make the best of it.

For the most part, he likely does live a life of peace and serenity . . . although he sure knows how to pick a hot car. □

Four RHS Students Attend World Affairs Seminar



(From left) Christina Seibert, Tyrone Jones, Shalina Warren, and Joshua Remelius. (photo courtesy of Bill Bradford's photography class, RHS)

By John Domas, counselor, Romulus High School

Four Romulus High School students are currently attending the Seventeenth Annual World Affairs Seminar at the University of Wisconsin, thanks to scholarships awarded by local clubs and organizations. The seminar, which began June 13, will continue through June 18, 1993.

The recipients of the scholarships, valued at \$245, are: Tyrone Jones, Jr., son of Tyrone and Diane Jones (sponsored by the Romulus Rotary Club); Joshua Scott Remelius, son of Rick and Vicki Remelius (sponsored by the Romulus Kiwanis Club); Christina A. Seibert, daughter of Richard and Doreen Seibert (sponsored by the Romulus Rotary Club); and Shalina Renee Warren, daughter of Eartha Warren (sponsored by the Romulus Progressive Club).

The World Affairs Seminar is a personalized educational program for specially selected high-school students. Its primary purpose is to bring about a better understanding of world problems on the part of high-school students through a study of current issues, while at the same time providing the opportunity to discuss those issues with young people from the countries concerned.

Emphasis is placed upon promoting a better understanding of the causes of world conflict, the rationale being that such an understanding would be most likely to result in peaceful solutions.

Students from foreign lands will make up about one-fifth of the total number of participants, and will be coming from 50 different countries through several exchange programs. This will enable both American and foreign students to learn about each other's customs, traditions, aspirations, and heritage. Altogether, there will be approximately 1,000 high-school students from throughout the United States and Canada, along with 250 foreign exchange students.

The experience of living on a college

campus will be both exciting and worthwhile. Students will have five nights' lodging in a double-occupancy dormitory room and all meals, including a banquet. University recreational facilities will be open for student use, as will be the University Health Center for emergency health care. During the seminar, students will hear various speakers, see films, participate in panels and group discussions, view foreign exhibits, and receive name tags, portfolios, and other seminar materials.

In closing, I would like to thank the following people for their help, support, and assistance in making it possible to send these well-qualified, deserving students to this seminar: Mae Jackson, William Knight, and Alan Wilkerson (guidance counselors); Gerald Nault (Romulus Progressive and Kiwanis clubs member); Michael Prybyla (Romulus Rotary Club member); William Barnes, Ronald Bayes, Donald Foley, James Orme, William Raack, Wayne Schimming, Ann Scott, and Susan Vogel-Anderson (teachers); Judith Nutt (guidance office secretary); and Thomas Dolan, Daniel Hurst, and Michael Teasdale (principals). □

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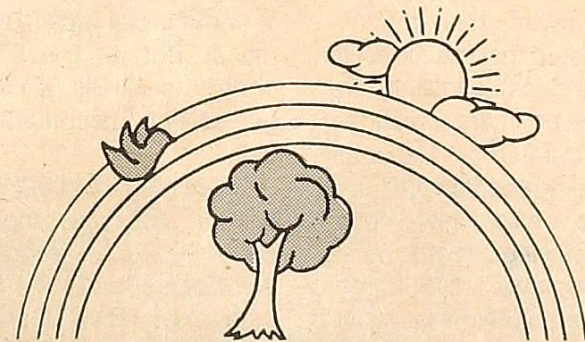
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Three RHS Students Attend Boys' State Program

By John Domas, counselor, Romulus High School

Three outstanding Romulus High School students will be attending the 56th Annual American Legion Boys' State Program on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing, thanks to scholarships awarded by local clubs and organizations. The program begins June 20 and will continue through June 26, 1993.

The three Romulus students will be among 1,000 boys representing the very best of Michigan youth.

The recipients of the scholarships, valued at \$195 each, are: Kevin Paul Ladach, son of Jerome and Sylvia Ladach (sponsored by the Romulus Kiwanis Club); Eric Benny Lambert, son of Russell and Maria Lambert (sponsored by the Romulus Rotary Club); and William Howard Wallen, son of Ralph and Susan Wallen (sponsored by the Romulus Progressive Club).

All three boys have just completed the eleventh grade; thus, they will be returning as seniors to share their experiences with their classmates next year.

The Boys' State Program duplicates the very process by which government in Michigan and Washington, D.C., operates. Each young man attending will learn from first-hand experience how to work within a political party for the common good. Aside from this practical learning experience, each boy learns the priceless lesson of team participation while maintaining his own individuality.

The long-term experience, together with the friendships developed, are not soon forgotten, but stay with the boys for the rest of their lives.

Ultimately, the boys involved in the Program leave with a thorough, working knowledge of how our American system of government can effect change, implement ideas into law, and benefit society as a whole. There is no need for them to feel alienated from society, as there is a workable political process to involve them in the Nation's continued success.

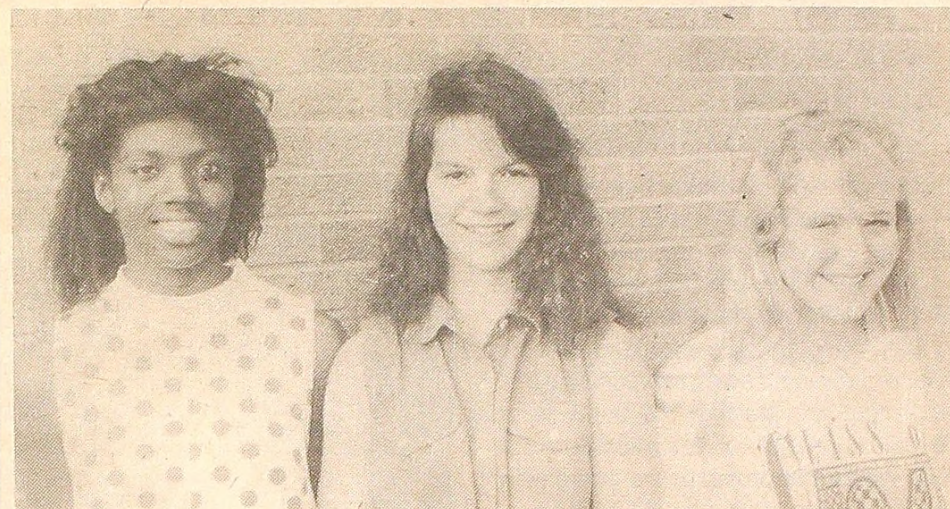
Whether boys attending the Program become directly involved in the actual political process in later life or not, each will join the American scene knowing that anything for the common good is achievable in our system. More important, each will know how to achieve that common good through a peaceful, orderly process.

In closing, I would like to thank the following people for their help, support, and assistance in making it possible to send these three well-qualified, deserving students to Boys' State: Mae Jackson, William Knight, and Alan Wilkerson (guidance counselors); Gerald Nault (Romulus Progressive and Kiwanis clubs member); Michael Prybyla (Romulus Rotary Club member); Jill Avery (class advisor); Gail Coleman, Gail Fraley, Michael Kernohan, Ann Scott, Dennis Stoh, Susan Vogel-Anderson, Harry Willnus, and Michael Zaher (teachers); Judith Nutt (guidance office secretary); and Thomas Dolan, Daniel Hurst, and Michael Teasdale (principals). □



(From left) Kevin Ladach, Eric Lambert, and William Wallen. (photo courtesy of Bill Bradford's photography class, RHS)

Three RHS Students Attend Girls' State Program



(From left) Lekeisha Holmes, Lisa Decker, and Staci Steffani. (photo courtesy of Bill Bradford's photography class, RHS)

By John Domas, counselor, Romulus High School

Three outstanding Romulus High School students are currently attending the 53rd Annual American Legion Auxiliary Girls' State Program on the campus of Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant, thanks to scholarships awarded by local clubs and organizations. The program, which began June 12, will continue through June 20, 1993.

The three Romulus students will be among 546 girls representing the very best of Michigan youth.

The recipients of the scholarships, valued at \$200 each, are: Lisa Jo Decker, daughter of Dennis and Karen Decker (sponsored by the Romulus Kiwanis Club); Lekeisha Holmes, daughter of LeRoy and Mildred Holmes (sponsored by the Romulus Progressive Club); and Staci Lynne Steffani, daughter of Sean and Sandy Steffani (sponsored by the Romulus Rotary Club).

All three girls have just completed the eleventh grade; thus, they will be returning as seniors to share their experiences with their classmates next year.

The 1993 Girls' State Program is designed as a practical experience in the problems of self-government as operated within the State of Michigan. The purpose of the program is to emphasize the importance of government in modern life; to stimulate a deep and lasting interest in government; and to enlarge the students' understanding of the governmental process.

The basic method employed by Girls' State, by which these goals may be achieved, is that of actual participation in the political and governmental process. Care has been taken to design the Program so that every student may participate in the electoral process; have an opportunity to hold public office; and be encouraged to share in the formulation of public policy. Since no one person can serve in all offices of government, it is expected that a great deal will be learned by observation of the activities of others. It is hoped that each young citizen will leave Girls' State with a mature appreciation of some of the basic strengths and weaknesses of the American system of government. It is hoped, further,

that they will leave with a firm resolution to make government a more effective and responsible servant of the people.

To be eligible, a candidate must be a citizen of the United States; able to attend the full nine-day session; be completing her junior year of high school; and be a Michigan resident attending a Michigan high school.

Selection is based on each girl's interest, character, and potential abilities. Also considered are teacher recommendations and academic record.

Upon their arrival at Girls' State, each girl is assigned to a mythical political party and to a county and city. There are seven counties, each composed of three cities.

The citizens nominate and elect various city, county, and state officials. They are instructed in the duties of the various public offices, and they learn the functioning of each office—including the state supreme court, the legislature, and other divisions of government—as well as its powers and limitations.

The Press Association and lobbyist and interest groups are also popular activities in a typical Girls' State.

Two girls will be selected from Michigan's Girls' State to attend Girls' Nation, to be held in Washington D.C.

Girls' Nation, a citizenship program in the process of federal government (to which Girls' State programs around the Country send two "senators" each), is an annual climax to the Girls' State Program, and has been held in the Nation's capital for one week each summer since 1947.

In closing, I would like to thank the following people for their help, support, and assistance in making it possible to send these three well-qualified, deserving students to Girls' State: Mae Jackson, William Knight, and Alan Wilkerson (guidance counselors); Gerald Nault (Romulus Progressive and Kiwanis clubs member); Michael Prybyla (Romulus Rotary Club member); Jill Avery (class advisor); Gail Coleman, Gail Fraley, Michael Kernohan, Ann Scott, Dennis Stoh, Susan Vogel-Anderson, Harry Willnus, and Michael Zaher (teachers); Judith Nutt (guidance office secretary); and Thomas Dolan, Daniel Hurst, and Michael Teasdale (principals). □

A Point of Law

Marriage . . . Divorce . . . Child Support

By Murray A. Duncan, Jr., attorney

Q. May I get married immediately after obtaining a marriage license?

A. A marriage license is not valid until three days after it is issued.

Q. May a divorced mother remove a minor child from the State of Michigan?

A. Michigan law provides that an order or judgment awarding custody of a child must provide that the domicile of the child should not be removed from the State without approval of the judge who awarded custody, or his successor.

Q. May I stop paying child support if I am denied visitation?

A. As a general rule, no. A non-custodial parent's obligation to pay child support is not related to that parent's opportunity to exercise visitation with a minor child. Some cases have held that support may be suspended or cancelled to punish wrongful conduct of the custodial parent or force compliance with visitation orders. However, most judges will not even consider withholding support



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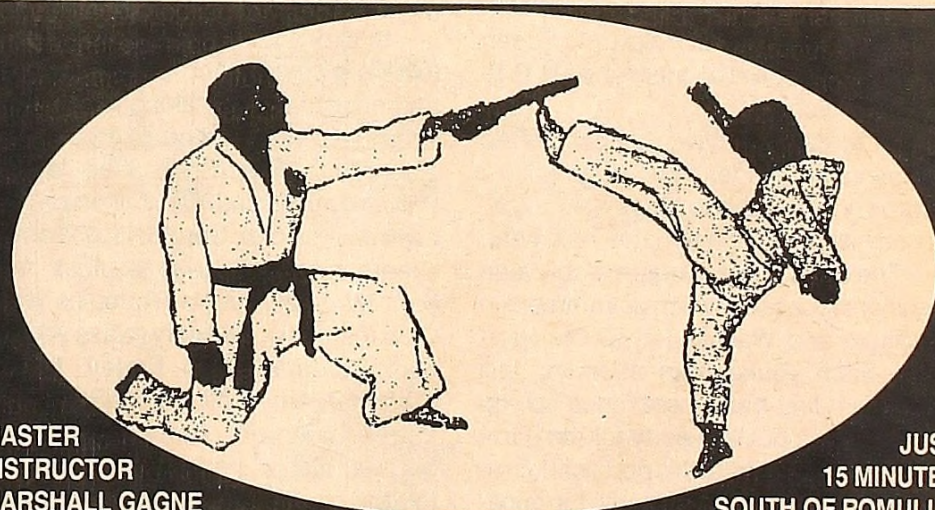
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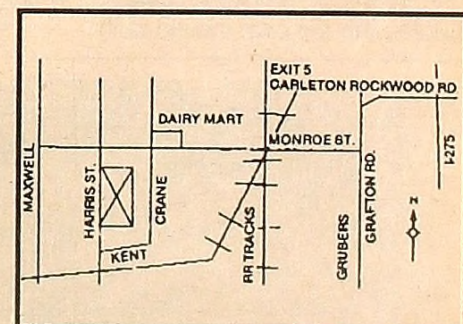
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The couple, who became engaged on October 9, 1992, exchanged their wedding vows in the Council Chambers at Romulus City Hall.

Barry is the son of William J. Adams (Madison, IN) and Betty Adams (Westland, MI). Jill's parents are Glen and Gail Howard (Romulus, MI).

John Jordan/Cindy Grishaber

Congratulations to John E. and Cindy R. (Grishaber) Jordan of Romulus, Michigan, who were married in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, on Saturday, May 15, 1993.

Standing up with the couple during the ceremony were John's best man/brother, Darin Jordan of Royal Oak, Michigan, and Cindy's maid of honor/sister, Robyn Grishaber of Romulus, Michigan.

John—the son of George and Mickey Jordan of Gladwin, Michigan—is a 1988 graduate of Romulus High School. A licensed master plumber, John is cur-

rently employed at J.P. Plumbing & Heating in Romulus.

Cindy, also a 1988 graduate of Romulus High School, is the daughter of Jerry and Wendy Grishaber of Romulus, Michigan. A student at Eastern Michigan University, where she is majoring in special education, Cindy already holds an associate of science degree from Monroe County Community College. She is currently employed as a physical therapy technician at American Rehabilitation Network in Dearborn.

Pvt. Glenn Shotts/Shanna Hall



Proudly announcing their plans to marry are Private Glenn Allen Shotts and Shanna Joy Hall of Romulus, Michigan.

The couple, who became engaged on Thursday, May 27, 1993, have set a wedding date of Friday, January 21, 1994. The ceremony will be held at Community



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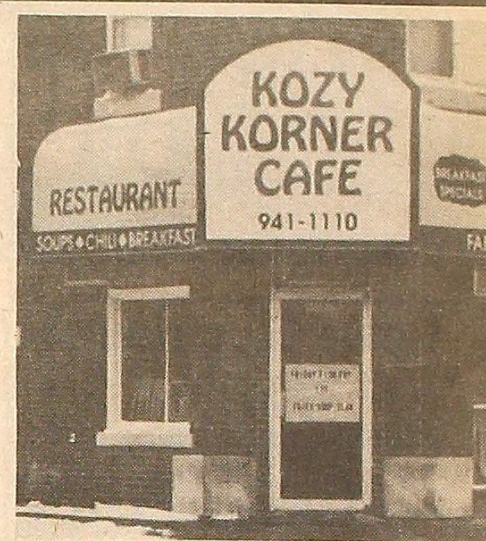
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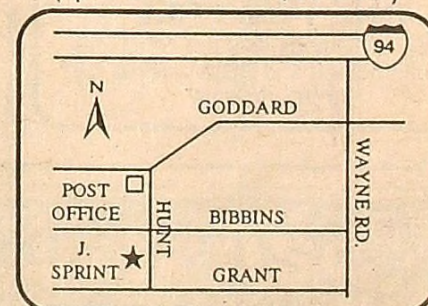
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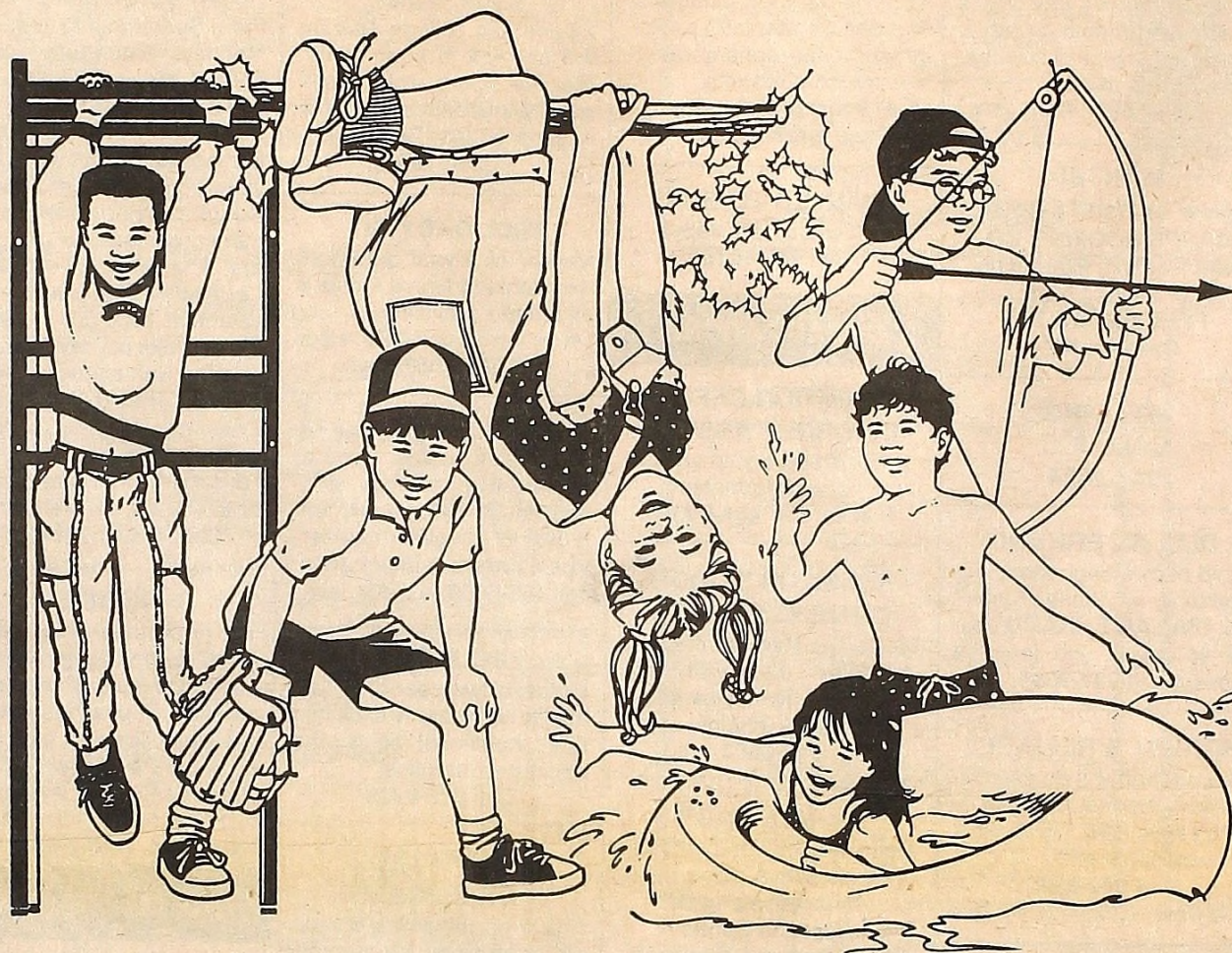


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WANTED Live-in farm hand for horse farm. Room, board, & wages. Call 941-3789	WANTED		ANIMALS	'79 FORD VAN Chateau w/windows, air, trailer towing pkg., 80,000 miles on odometer - \$1,500. Call 942-6851	FOR SALE Crib & bed in one - Combination 3-drawer chest & crib w/ 2 large blanket drawers beneath. Converts to youth bed and separate chest. White w/ natural wood trim. From Baby World & Teens. Mattress, bumper pad, comforter, crib sheets, & diaper stacker set included. Asking \$300. Call 941-1828
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SCHOOL'S OUT



For Summer! Drive Carefully.

The kids are packing up for summer camp. Or they're looking forward to having some fun at the pool or beach. It's a time for enjoying their summer freedom.

But they sometimes forget to watch where they're going and what's happening around them. So it's up to you, as a responsible driver, to keep a lookout for them while you're on the road.

Let the kids have their fun. Help make it safe for them by slowing down and expecting the unexpected!

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